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In accordance with 37 CFR 1.56, Applicants wish to call the Examiner's attention to the references cited on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of EP 0 466 646, GB 842 791 and DE 2841566(and English language abstract thereof) are enclosed herewith. All other references cited were supplied, along with a copy of the International Search Report when this application entered the U.S. national phase.

The International Search Report indicates that U.S. 5,401,780, U.S. 6,180,694, U.S. 6,288,142 and U.S. 5,274,010 are substantively cumulative English Language counterparts of EP 0 466 646.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form(s).

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